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SUBJECT: PARMA BUILDING SCANDAL INQUIRY PROPOSED IN EMILIA
REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

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1. THE PARMA 'SCANDAL' HAS BEEN RAISED IN THE EMILIA-ROMAGNA REGIONAL ASSEMBLY BY THE PARTIES OF OPPOSITION (DC,PRI,PSDI, PLI). THE PLI REPRESENTATIVE HAS PROPOSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY TO ASCERTAIN THE PROPRIETY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PARMA GIUNTA. THE PROPOSED COMMISSION WOULD HAVE FULL POWERS AND WOULD BE COMPOSED OF 15 MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTING THE FOLLOWING PARTIES: PCI (5), DC (3), PSI (2), AND ONE EACH FROM THE PSDI, PRI, PLI, MSI AND PDUP.

2. SPEAKING FOR THE FRONTIST REGIONAL GIUNTA, THE PCI REGIONAL COUNSELOR FOR URBAN AFFAIRS STATED THAT THE DISCUSSION SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN THE PARMA CITY COUNCIL AND IT WAS UP TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION. THE COUNSELOR DID ALLOW THAT IF ERRORS HAD BEEN MADE, THE DISCUSSION IN THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD BE ON HOW TO AVOID THEM IN THE FUTURE. HE NOTED THAT AS FAR AS EMILIA-ROMAGNA WAS CONCERNED, THERE HAD BEEN AN

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SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT.

3. MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION DECLARED THEMSELVES UNSATISFIED WITH THE RESPONSE OF THE COUNSELOR. THE MOTION BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY WILL BE VOTED AT ITS NEXT SESSION.

4. COMMENT: IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE LIBERAL MOTION WILL BE APPROVED SINCE THE PCI HAS AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY IN THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY. THE ARITHMETIC OF THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY WOULD RESULT IN THE PSI HAVING THE SWING VOTE BUT SINCE THE OFFICIAL INVOLVED IN PARMA IS A SOCIALIST, THERE WOULD BE LITTLE LIKELIHOOD THE COMMISSION, EVEN IF IT WERE ESTABLISHED, WOULD BE OVERLY CRITICAL OF THE EVENTS IN PARMA. ABOUT THE ONLY VIRTUE IN THE MOTION IS THAT IT SERVES TO KEEP THE ISSUE BEFORE THE PUBLIC IN THIS REGION. GORDON

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